

Remarks

Claims 25, 28-38, 40-48 and 68-76 are pending with this Application. Claims 1-24, 26-27, 39 and 49-67 were previously canceled without prejudice.

In the Office Action mailed on February 23, 2010, the Examiner stated that the Application included the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 25, 28-38, 40-48, 74-76, drawn to a fiber cement composite; and

Group II: Claims 68-73, drawn to a method of making a fiber cement composite.

To move prosecution forward, Applicants elect the said invention of Group I—claims 25, 28-38, 40-48, and 74-76, drawn to a fiber cement composite. Claims 68-73 are herewith canceled without prejudice.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and request allowance of the pending claims.

This is intended to be a complete response to the Office Action mailed on the date of February 23, 2010.

Conclusion

In light of the remarks presented with this paper, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims provided in the Listing of Claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the application proceed to allowance.

No fee for an extension of time is believed to be due with this paper. This paper, however, serves as a petition for an extension of time for any needed extension of time, such as that pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner grant such a petition should it be required and authorize the Commissioner to charge the extension fee due and not paid for with such a petition to Deposit Account No. 07-0153 of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP and reference Attorney Docket No. 129843-1022. Please credit any overpayment to this same Deposit Account.

Should the Examiner have questions, comments, or suggestions in furtherance of the prosecution of this Application, please contact Applicants' representative at 214-999-4330. Applicants, through their representative, stand ready to conduct a telephone interview with the Examiner to review this Application if the Examiner believes that such an interview would assist in the advancement of this Application and/or place the application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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